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Beirut (Arab News Agency) -- Lebanon is displaying great concern over Communist activities within its borders and has decided to wage an all-out campaign to check the Communist movement. Leaves of all Public Security agents have been canceled because of recent reports that a series of demonstrations against high Lebanese officials has been planned by the Communists.

It is believed that the outlawed Lebanese Communist Party was planning for a countrywide strike in the event the Korean war developed in favor of the Communists.

It is well known that the Cominform regards Lebanon as a bridgehead over which Communists can infiltrate to the Middle Eastern countries. While Communist plans are made at Cairo, they are executed by the Lebanese Communist Party. The outlawed Lebanese Communist Party remains the strongest in the Arab countries. It has made great progress in universities, and succeeded through its vicious propaganda in preaching hate and causing dissension between Moslems and Christians.

The Communist danger has been enhanced with the establishment of the Communist Party in Israel, which has an Arab Committee in Nazareth. The Lebanese Communists have stepped up their activities among the Palestine Arab refugees.

Lebanon has decided to establish a special force from Public Security offices to combat Communism and subversive teachings. This force will have headquarters in Beirut and branches in the provinces.

It has been learned also that Lebanon will suggest that the Arab states coordinate their efforts in fighting Communism. The Lebanese suggestion calls for the establishment of civil defense bodies in all Arab cities with responsibility for checking on Communist activities.

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